Tailgating on football game days is a wonderful and long-standing tradition at The University of Oklahoma. The University’s tailgating policy is designed to ensure:

- The comfort and enjoyment of game day patrons.
- The safety, security, and well-being of all people associated with game day activities, and
- The safeguarding and preservation of all public property under the management of the University.

- The setting up of tents, awnings, and similar equipment may commence at 12 noon on the day immediately preceding the game, most typically on Friday for a Saturday game. Space may be occupied between 8:00 am and noon, but stakes may NOT go into the ground until 12 noon. Space may NOT be occupied or reserved before 8:00 am. All items must be taken down and removed by 12 noon on the day immediately following the game, typically Sunday. Abandoned tents may be at risk of damage or theft.

- Tents, awnings, and similar equipment must be securely anchored. Stakes may not be longer than 12 inches in order not to interfere with underground utilities. Tents larger than 400 square feet require a permit, contact Fire@ou.edu.

- Any such items that are set up outside of this timeframe or that collapse or are blown off their sites will be removed by the University. The University Administration and Finance Office, (405) 325-5161, may be contacted for information about how items may be recovered. Items not claimed within a reasonable time may be disposed of by the University at its discretion.

- Tents, awnings, similar items, and tailgating activities of any kind are prohibited on several locations including, but not limited to, the North and South Ovals, Jacobson Hall and Carpenter Hall lawns, Heisman Park, Burr Park, Headington Park, Oliver Walk, Brooks Mall and areas adjacent to Brooks Mall including lawn north of the stadium and lawn south of Wagner Hall, the NE corner of Lindsey and Jenkins Streets, and student residential areas, (Student groups permitted by the Office of Student Life will be allowed near residential areas.)

- Tailgating activity that takes up vacant parking spaces or otherwise interferes with vehicle movement within a parking lot is prohibited. In order to protect parking lot surfaces, tents, awnings, and similar items that require ground stakes are prohibited.

- The University will provide and locate portable toilets at convenient locations around the grounds. Individuals, groups or businesses are prohibited from bringing or arranging the delivery of their own toilets.

- Generators may be used so long as they do not damage University property; if a generator is placed on a grassy area it must rest on a board or other hard material to protect the grass and soil beneath.

- The hooking into, connecting to, or similar use of University utilities and/or television or communication cable services is prohibited.

- Food and beverages shall be for personal consumption only. Sales are prohibited.

- Gas and charcoal grills with covers are permitted. Open flames are prohibited.

- Corporate or commercially sponsored tailgates are prohibited except in designated locations. Those who wish to organize and provide such sites should contact Sooner Sports Properties at (405) 325-2148.

- Companies are prohibited from issuing free or sample products without being properly licensed by the University. The University Real Estate Operations Office, (405) 325-6041, may be contacted for information.

- Small non-University vehicles such as golf carts, all-terrain vehicles, and the like are prohibited on campus, and are subject to impound. Bicycles must be parked at bike racks.

- Trailers and vehicles are prohibited from parking on the grass. Trailer parking is allowed at any ‘paid’ lot - permits are NOT required. Permit Lots - permits ARE required. A permit is required for the vehicle; an additional permit is required for the trailer.

- The use of any tobacco product is strictly prohibited on all University property.

- Except as may be specifically authorized by University Administration, the operation of drones/unmanned aircraft systems on University property is prohibited on home football game days.